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GPD Swears in Two Officers, Promotes Another

The Garner Police Department swore in two new officers and promoted another in a ceremony held Dec. 10.

TJ Vesce Jr. was one of the two officers to be sworn in. Officer Vesce is a graduate of North Carolina Wesleyan College in Rocky Mount with a bachelor of arts degree in criminal justice. He graduated from the Basic Law Enforcement Training program at Nash Community College in 2013. Officer Vesce began his law enforcement career with the Nash County Sheriff's Office in 2013 as a reserve deputy.

Will Simpson also was sworn in. Officer Simpson graduated from Guilford Technical Community College with an associate's degree in science. He completed the Basic Law Enforcement Training program at Wake Technical Community College, graduating in June 2015.

Paul Caldwell was promoted to sergeant. Sgt. Caldwell graduated from UNC-Charlotte in 1994 with bachelor's degrees in both criminal justice and political science. He joined the Garner Police Department in 1997. He has worked for the department as a patrol officer, field training officer, middle school resource officer, Special Response Team member and team leader, police marksman, platoon leader and general investigator. Sgt. Caldwell is a North Carolina law enforcement general instructor and is one of the department's firearms, rapid deployment, force-on-force and simunitions instructors. He also serves as the department armorer.

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